

CANNOT BE COMMENDED.

The Indianapolis Journal of the 21st inst., in commenting upon the speeches delivered at the Hayes banquet in New York, thus administers a fitting rebuke to the pharisaical secretary of the interior:

The address of Secretary Schurz was one of the spirit of which cannot be commended. It would have been well enough on the stump, but it was not such a one as the member of a republican administration, impressed with the dignity and responsibilities of his position, should have given public utterance to. The burden of it was, of course, civil service reform, and the principles he laid down were correct in theory. But the whole tenor of the speech was a bitter arraignment of the party whose administration he is a member of, up to the present time, for maintaining a corrupt and inefficient civil service. He said that appointments to office should not be made, as heretofore, because of ability to party caucuses, manage the party machine, or play a good game of draw poker. He stated the principles by which the present administration would be guided, and seemed to go out of his way to enforce the contrast between the last and the present governments. Whatever may be Mr. Schurz's private opinions of Gen. Grant's administration, neither the time nor the place was opportune for so direct and public a challenge of it, and a contrast with the one of which he himself was a member. There was no call for it. The people of this country, irrespective of party, do not, and will not, judge the present administration by a comparison with the last or any former one. It will be judged for itself and by its results. The man who attempts to make a reputation for himself at the expense of another generally falls in public estimation, and we can assure Mr. Schurz that he will not add to his own greatness and usefulness by adopting the tone and language of political snobs, like the Nation and Springfield Republican, touching the administration of a man so high in the gratitude and honor of the American people as General Grant. Mr. Schurz has no record of deeds to compare with the record of the ex-president. Errors and faults even can be easily forgiven and forgotten in the splendor of the accomplishments of the silent man who has just left our shores followed by the earnest good will of a grateful nation. Mr. Schurz is a brilliant theorist and doctrinaire. He can enunciate a listening senate and compel the judgment of an applauding audience. But the man of words is not necessarily the man of deeds; and for the first time in his public career Mr. Schurz is placed in a position where he can be tested by his capacity as an executive officer. It is a new and untried arena for him, and we certainly hope he will succeed. But when at the very outset of an experimental life he invokes an invidious contrast with an accomplished warrior, it is not improper to remind him of the sound advice given by the King of Israel: "Let not him that girdeth on his harness boast himself as he that putteth it off."

The Cincinnati Commercial, an enthusiastic advocate of the Southern policy, in noticing that Governor Stone, of Mississippi, doesn't want to "stir the thing up," meaning the Komper county tragedy, says threateningly: "If such affairs as the DeKalb butchery are to be passed over without any attempt to bring the bloody villains who engaged in it to the bar of justice, it is not likely to add to the popularity of home rule among the people at large. It will be felt that home rule is a device to cover crime and let it go unwhipped of justice. The want of a strong hand to correct disorders and enforce respect for law will be widely felt and admitted, and a way will be found to cure the evil at the expense of home rule, if the alternative be necessary." This shows an inclination to get back to first principles, but how shall it be done?

THE Nashville American says: "The time is most opportune for a return of the Democratic party to power." The time does seem opportune enough, but some way the "opportune" does not coincide with the time. The way time favors these fellows when there's no election and goes back on them about the balloting period is one of the most provoking things in their sad and mournful existence.

Drink Root Beer, at Wood's.

May 15-21

HOW AN ARTIST WON A HOUSE.

From the Fall Mail Gazette.

In connection with the recent sale of some pictures by Adrian Van de Velde, the Flemish painter, the Journal d'Anvers relates he became possessed of his country house near Antwerp. This house belonged to the great Lord Clarendon, and Van de Velde, happening to pass by it one day, was so much struck by the beauty of the site and of the gardens that he determined to transfer them to himself. He took up his quarters in a neighboring village, and after completing the picture went with it to London, where he put it into a public sale with a heavy reserve upon it. Lord Clarendon, who was in London at the time, happened to attend the sale, and, recognizing his own house, bid for the picture. There were several other offers, and Lord Clarendon, after having been outbid several times, said, "I will give the original for the copy." At the word "copy" the painter, who was in the room, apostrophized Lord Clarendon in no measured terms, and asked him what he meant by suggesting that the picture was a copy. Lord Clarendon repeated his offer, adding, "I know that Van de Velde is the painter, and I will give him the original for the copy." There was no mistaking what this meant; the picture was withdrawn.

GEN. GRANT IN ENGLAND.

From the London Cable.

Unusual social interest is felt in England regarding the arrival of Gen. Grant. The question whether he shall be received as an ex-sovereign or as a private citizen is attracting great attention among the authorities. The only precedents are the cases of Van Buren and Fillmore. When Van Buren was here Lord Palmerston cited that as he was regarded only as a private citizen in America the government should pay all respect to his personal character but that it could not treat him otherwise than as a distinguished citizen of the republic. It is understood that the government at Washington will intimate to the English minister that ex-President Grant will be expected to receive the honors paid to Louis Napoleon and Louis Philippe. This, however, simply concerns official etiquette. In private circles Gen. Grant will receive unbounded hospitality.

THE SILVER BILL.

The following is the text of the Silver Bill passed by the Illinois Legislature:

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly, That from and after the date of the passage of this act all silver coins, the standard value of which has been fixed and declared by the congress of the United States, shall be a legal tender, at such standard values for the payment of all debts, both public and private which are payable or collectable within the state of Illinois, and which are not made by the terms of the contract which created them expressly in other kinds of coin.

A Washington special to the Chicago Times says that Gen. Gideon J. Pillow is in that city pressing his claim for the position of Judge of the United States Court made vacant by the death of Judge E. D. Smith. His application is endorsed by Senators Lamar and Garland, Judge Wilshire and members of the Tennessee and Arkansas Supreme Courts, besides which he is an enthusiastic supporter of the president's policy. Pillow claims to have lost his large property by the war, and is now in poverty, and seems to think it is the duty of the government to support him. We do not remember to have seen any suggestion from Gen. Pillow of the duty of the government to indemnify Union men who were robbed in the South, or even to protect them in their rights.—State Journal.

A LITTLE incident which recently occurred in a circuit court in one of the interior counties of Georgia, (the facts are gravely reported in a Georgia paper,) shows what different kinds of justice are meted out to white and black offenders down there. Among other convictions was that of a white man charged with stealing a hog. He was sentenced to pay a fine of \$100. At the same time, in the same court, a colored man and his two sons were all sent to the penitentiary for three years each for altering the marks on a neighbor's hog. Here was an aggregate of nine years in the penitentiary inflicted on the colored men for altering the marks on a hog, while at the same time and in the same court a white man is only fined \$100 for stealing a hog. It is evident that judge believed in going the whole hog or none. If the Georgia negroes are wise they will stop fooling with the marks on hogs, and carry them off bodily.—Ind. Journal.

CARPETS Within the past few days we have added largely to our stock of Brussels and Ingrain carpets, in new and handsome styles.

May 19 dwt

Miller has ordered a splendid Arctic Fountain, which will soon be here. Then look out for the "boss" soda.

May 19 dwt

Ice Cream, richly flavored, big dishes, at Miller's.

May 19 dwt

Ice Cream made of pure cream, packed in ice and delivered in any part of the city by

May 19 dwt

Lemonade made from lemons. Cold as ice, at

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THE WAR.

RUSSIAN TROOPS TO CROSS THE DANUBE.

A BATTLE PENDING

THE STATE CAPITAL.

Governor Callom's First Veto.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., May 22.—Speaker Shaw selected as members of the conference committee on the revenue bill, Messrs. Harrington, Morrison of Morgan, and Tice.

Mr. Smith, of Sagawell, resolved \$30 to each of the clerical employees as chaplain during the session. This was on the basis of \$2.50 per day. The resolution was adopted.

Some time ago Mr. Pinney made certain charges against the management of the Penitentiary, to the effect that Logan had given a supper there at State expense for eatables and liquors; that Southworth, one of the commissioners, had given away a couple of desks; that Taylor, another commissioner, had given away a coat to one of the employees, and sundry other charges too numerous to mention.

A sub committee of the Penitentiary committee investigated the affair and reported to-day:

1. That no supper had ever been given to Logan in the prison.

2. That Southworth paid for the desks out of his own pocket; do Taylor for the coat.

3. That no liquor had ever been purchased, except for medical purposes, for the prison; that these had sometimes been used with visitors and Sheriff when there, which practice the committee recommended to abolish. We second the motion. This disposes of the lie on Logan.

The Governor has nominated for canal commissioners J. O. Glover of Cook county, B. F. Shaw of Lee county, Martin Kingman of Peoria county.

Four trustees of asylum for the blind at Jacksonville:

A. C. Wadsworth of Morgan county, N. W. Brownson of Menard county, A. G. Barr of Greene county. All confirmed.

The governor to-day sent to the house his first veto message upon Mr. Jack's bill, enabling associations of persons to become a body corporate to raise funds to be loaned only among their members, as a Mutual Building Loan and Homestead-improving Association. First objection.—After the seductive heading, that not a dollar is to be used in building houses and improving homesteads, nor is it required of its members that they shall be owners of homesteads. The funds raised by the association are to be loaned only to members of the corporation; and the money goes to the highest bidder, without restriction as to which the borrower may apply it. Second objection.—Easy means of becoming a member, and equally easy withdrawal on payment of the money borrowed, with interest and premiums. And the conclusion the governor reaches in veto message is that it enables corporations to be formed to loan money at higher rates of interest than are allowed by the general law of the state, that the premiums on priority of loans to the highest bidder are in the nature of usurious interest. Third objection.—That the Constitution of the State prohibits the passage of local or special laws regulating the interest on money, and it also provides against granting to any corporation, association or individual any special or exclusive privilege, annuity or franchise whatever. And for those and other equally good and sufficient reasons, the governor returned the bill to the house with his objections.

Mr. Harrington, from the conference committee on the revenue, offered his report, which was promptly concurred in by Mr. Morrison (of Morgan), and Mr. Harrington said he would withdraw his report temporarily, until the consolidation of the Supreme Court matter shall be acted upon. Mr. Morrison continued his argument, giving the strongest, most cogent reasons why this bill should pass.

A vote was finally reached, resulting in the defeat of the bill—yeas 63, lacking 14 of enough to pass it.

A motion to reconsider will be made in the morning, and a few are yet sanguine it will pass.

Everybody Goes to MILLER'S Restaurant.

Jan 8 dwt

A Large Assortment of children's colored shoes just received at

May 6 dwt

Patents procured by L. P. Graham, at 88 West Wood street.

July 31 dwt

German Class.—Miss Anna Holt will give lessons in German, in the room over Keeler's hat store, (formerly Esq. Hughes' office. For particulars enquire at the rooms as above, from five to seven and a half o'clock, in the evening.

March 17—dwt

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Adjourned Meeting.

DECATUR, ILL., May 22, 1877.

Present.—Ald. Bramble, Harman, Harpstrite, Harwood, Kuny, Muzzy, Nichols, Swearingen and Wayne. Absent.—Ald. Barnett.

The following petitions were received: From Brooker & McClure—Asking permission to erect a lamp post in front of their place of business. Granted.

From W. Barnett and others—Praying the council to open an alley between College and Edward streets from Eldorado to Cerro Gordo. Referred to committee on streets and alleys.

From Morehouse & Wells and others—Praying the council to plank the north half of the alley between Merchant and Water streets. Referred to the committee on streets and alleys.

From M. P. Murphy, J. Imboden, N. Laux & Bro., T. B. Albert, J. G. Starr, Harpstrite & Shlaudeiman and J. N. Fuller—Praying the council to improve South Main street by grading, curbing and graveling, and that said improvement be made and paid for by special assessment of contiguous property in proportion to benefits. Referred to the ordinance committee with instructions to draft an ordinance in compliance with said petition.

The committee on sidewalks and crossings reported back various resolutions for walks and a commendation laying down walks as follows, which was adopted, viz:

A gravel walk 6 feet wide on the east side of Eldorado street to the T. W. & W. Railroad; a gravel walk 4 feet wide on the east side of Pine street from W. Main to Wood street; a walk 4 feet wide on Hinton street from Wood to William street, to be constructed in part of wood and part of gravel; a plank crossing on east Prairie street, corner of Mill street, and extend 40 feet west; also to repair the walk on the west side of James Snarr's residence.

The committee on streets and alleys made the following report which was adopted on call of ayes and nays, Ald. Kuny voting nay:

To His Honor, the Mayor, and City Council of the City of Decatur, Illinois: GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee to whom was referred the matter of opening of South Main street west to the city limits report as follows:

The appraised damages made by the city of Decatur in opening the street of South Main street west to the city limits shall pay the sum of eight hundred dollars.

The said G. P. Wessels shall also convey to the city a street north from the present terminus of Crea's street corresponding in width with said Crea street to Wood street, about six hundred feet in distance; also to convey to the city a street sixty feet in width from Crea street west to John street, a distance of eight hundred feet more or less. The said Phalia shall convey to said city a street sixty feet in width from Monroe street west to Crea street, a distance of about eight hundred feet, and an alley on the south side of his land from Mon street sixty feet in width.

Upon the conveyance of the same by said parties the city shall pay said Phalia the sum of three hundred dollars, which sum in addition to amount formerly agreed by this council aggregates eight hundred dollars, being one-half of the amount as made by said appraisers; and the remaining amount of the same upon the said parties making conveyances as aforesaid, and the removal of all buildings of said Phalia thereon.

I. P. Muzzy, W. W. SWARINGEN, K. HARWOOD, E. HARPSTRITE.

The same committee report adverse to purchasing lot of Prescott for the purpose of opening street; also recommend filling of culvert between Morgan and Broadway so far as to allow the water to pass off, the ditch being too low at the southern end; also report that there is no cause of complaint on the part of Mr. Leiby on account of discharge of tiling near his residence. The same committee made a report in relation to tiling on Clinton street which was read and referred back to committee.

The committee on public improvements reported adverse to laying tile on the west side of North Water street from King to Marietta street. Adopted.

Resolutions referred to the committee on sidewalks and crossings:

By Ald. Harpstrite—For gravel walk on Priest street from Broadway to Jackson street.

By Ald. Nichols—For a gravel walk two feet wide from the corner of Oakton and Herkimer streets north on the east side of the property of Robert Ferris to the alley; also a plank crossing on the west side of Lower street across Jefferson street.

The following resolutions were read and adopted.

Resolved, That the register be instructed to receive bids for coal for city use for ensuing year.

Resolved, That the committee on public improvements be instructed to secure bids for such amount of building and paving brick as may be needed during the ensuing year; also for such amount of lumber as may be needed as aforesaid.

By Ald. Harpstrite, and referred to the committee on streets and alleys:

Resolved, That a brick culvert be built across Priest street in order to complete Franklin street and comply with resolution passed last fall.

Resolutions referred to the committee on gas and gas lights:

By Ald. Ehrman: Resolved, That the supervisor be instructed to erect a gasoline post on the southeast corner of Decatur and Pine streets.

By Ald. Bramble: Resolved, That a gasoline lamp be placed near the crossing in front of A. H. Baptist Church on Cemetery street.

His honor the Mayor, appointed S. Burgess, E. B. Durfee and Reuben Betzer commissioners to estimate cost of improvements contemplated by ordinance for improvement of North Water street, east Eldorado street and east

Maine street. Appointments confirmed by the council.

On motion the street commissioner was instructed to remove the plug from the tiling in front of Mr. Leiby's residence.

Ald. Swearingen moved that when we do adjourn we adjourn until next Tuesday night, May 29th, 7:30 o'clock.

His honor appointed Drs. W. J. Chenoweth, B. F. Sibley and Ira N. Barnes board of health.

On motion the council adjourned.

Attest: GEO. P. HARDY, Register.

LONDON, May 22.—The Telegraph's Rastobuk dispatch, dated Monday, has the following: Great preparations for an attempt to pass the river between Rahova and Nikopolis. A continual concentration of troops in the vicinity of Simintza is observable. The Turks are fully prepared to resist any attempt.

A Telegraph's dispatch from Turkai Monday evening reports that forty-two Russian battalions, three batteries of artillery and some cavalry have just arrived on the opposite side of the river, at Altanika. An attack is expected.

A News' Galatz special says: Yesterday the Russians, crossing in boats from Ibrail to Ghiacet, burned the latter place.

The Russians have dismantled their Barbooski fortifications, considering them of no further use, as from Ibrail to Koni the river is protected by strong batteries and torpedoes.

Paris, May 22.—A Le Temps' Athens special says war between Greece and Turkey is inevitable. The Premier, at the opening session of the Chamber, will deliver a speech tending to war, which it is thought will break out in twenty days at latest.

London, May 22.—An Odessa letter states that the militia commander of the south coast has taken measures to defend Odessa against a coup de main by concentrating there a force of three brigades of infantry, eight squadrons of Cossacks, and six squadrons of light cavalry. The 13th Corps de Armor is to be employed in defense of the coast line. According to signals of coast guard Odessa seems less threatened than Olokhakoff. For some days Turkish vessels have been cruising there, seemingly with troops on board, and in the event of the Turks rendering Olokhakoff torpedoes harmless, not only would this, but other great towns on the Dnieper basin be open to them.

A Turkish squadron, consisting of two monitors, three iron clad frigates, several smaller vessels, and a whole flotilla of barks, supposed to have volunteers on board, are cruising in the waters of Sebastopol and Uptoria. It is stated that this fleet will not be satisfied with bombarding places on the coast, but also means to incite an insurrectionary movement in the Crimea.

Bucharest, May 22.—The following is the resolution adopted by the Senate Chamber of Deputies yesterday: This Chamber takes note that war is proclaimed between Roumania and Turkey and declares that connection between the two countries is dissolved. The unanimous desired independence of Roumania thus receives official sanction, and the Chambers count upon the sense of justice of the guaranteeing Powers.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—The session of the cabinet to-day was a great disappointment to the office seekers. The Vienna and Brazilian missions were talked over again, without any result, and were all deferred, with the single exception of filling the vacancy in the chief justiceship of the Territory of Washington. The delay to-day was occasioned by the discussion of the candidate and their endorsements for office. The temper of the cabinet seems to favor more delay with the appointments.

Ice Cream in pint and quart boxes for family use, every day during the hot season at Miller's. May 19 dwt

A Large Lot of best prints, just received at S. Einstein's. May 17 dwt

A Full Line of Black Cashmeres, very cheap, just received at S. Einstein's. May 17 dwt

R. C. CROCKER, NO. 9, WATER STREET, HARDWARE!

Cook Stoves, Tinware, Nails, Glass, Garden Tools

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Feb. 27, 1877—dwt

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Decatur, Ill., April 9, 1877—dwt

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Has just returned with a full line of SPRING and SUMMER DRY GOODS, consisting of a full line of PRINTS, BLEACHED and BROWN MUSLINS, DRESS GOODS of all colors and shades, BLACK ALPACAS, CASHMERES, GRENADINES, SILKS, GINGHAMS, FLANNELS, JEANS and COTTONADES, also a full line of LADIES' and GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS. I will offer Great Bargains in these Goods to all who may favor me with a call.

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NO. 21 NORTH WATER STREET.

Decatur, March 31, 1877—dwt

The New Family SINGER SEWING MACHINES!

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Decatur, May 25, 1877—dwt

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FOR MAN AND BEAST.

FOR MAN: Neuralgia, Swelling, Rheumatism, Tooth-Aches, Rheumatism, Head-aches, Stomach-aches, Back-aches, Pains in the Limbs, Sprains, Bruises, Burns, Scalds, Itch, Eruptions, and General Debility of the System.

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Man & Beast.

The Canadian Oil is for sale at "WILL DRUG STORES."

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May 17, 1877—dwt

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One Good House and

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Situated on the corner of West Eldorado and North College streets, a good home with seven rooms and cellar, good outbuildings, a good well and cistern, good fruit trees on the place—ALL AT BARGAIN PRICE. Apply to

Wood & Montgomery.

April 25—dwt

ELECTION NOTICE

OFFICE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DECATUR, ILL., May 21, 1877.

NOTICE is hereby given that an election will be held at the Court House, in Decatur, on the first Tuesday in June next, for the purpose of electing one member of the Board of Education to serve the term of three years, said election will be opened at three o'clock p. m. and closed at six o'clock p. m.

W. A. BAINES, Pres't.

E. A. GARY, Clerk.

May 21, 1877—dwt

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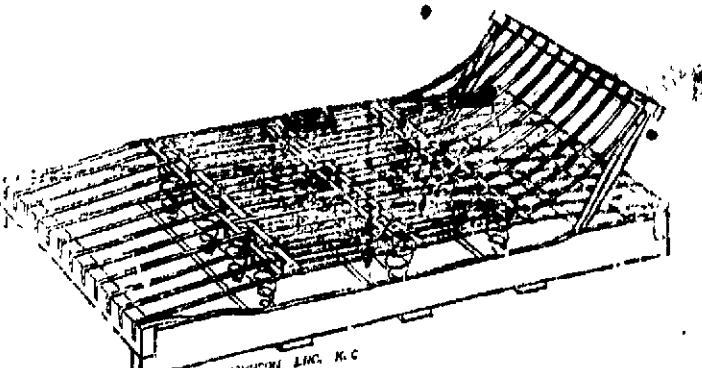
THE DAILY REPUBLICAN.
DECATUR, ILLINOIS.
Wednesday Evening, May 23.
For Member Board of Education.
We are authorized to announce H. B. Jones as a candidate for member of the Board of Education.
CITY DEPARTMENT.
Almost frost last night.
The Grand Jury has adjourned.
Harvey Downing's hack meets all trains, and transports passengers to and from any part of the city.
For short music or musical instruments, go to H. Post's. He has a full stock, and sells cheap.
Abel & Locke have just opened an invoice of the latest styles of carpet goods, direct from eastern manufacturers.
For curtain goods, of all varieties, and beautiful lampshades, go to Abel & Locke's.
Niedermeyer, near the Mound, has a full line of choice groceries and provisions.
A full supply of peachblow potatoes, of superior quality, at Newell & Hammer's.
For B. F. Taylor's hack leave orders at Armstrong's. It connects with all trains.
A full line of ladies and gents' furnishing goods, at low prices, at S. Elstein's.
Go to Armstrong's drug store for pure drugs and medicines.
For nobly livery rigs, either double or single, go to N. Laux & Bro.'s livery stable, corner of Wood and South Main streets.
For fragrant cigars, best tobacco, and all kinds of smokers' articles, go to Bickert & Baillard's.
An elegant line of summer hats just received at B. Stone's, the clothiers.
May 23-1101
The grading and graveling of South Main street and Cemetery street seems to be an improvement quite generally desired.
In whatever direction in the city one goes newly painted houses, new yard fences, newly set shade trees and newly laid boulevards meet the eye. If this good work of improvement goes on next year as vigorously as it does this, Decatur will be one of the most attractive cities in the state.
The testimony for the defense in the Hackett murder trial will probably occupy all of today and perhaps a part of to-morrow.
Remember the strawberry festival at the lecture-room of the First M. E. church, on Thursday evening of this week. All are invited.
If anybody don't know what "a hard road to travel" means, let him drive from Water street to Priest's Mill, on East Main street, and he will be fully posted. The public generally will be glad to know that this thoroughfare, which is now so rough as to be almost impassable, is soon to be graded and gravelled.
This morning the supervisor and his force commenced tearing up the old plank walk, from Hubbard & Swearingen's corner north to Newell & Hammer's grocery store, preparatory to laying a new brick walk. We understand that a similar improvement is to be made on the opposite side of Water street.
Delicious Strawberries and Cream and Lemonade made to order, at the New Restaurant, 26 East Main street.
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Summer Opening, of Fashionable Millinery, Thursday and Friday, May 31st and June 1st.
Paterson & Hurd,
May 22-118 wt 18 Merchant street.
No Hamburg.—It should be generally known that *No Hamburg* is the brand of the best five cent cigar in town, for sale at Martin's, 26 East Main street.
May 22-11w
For a good substantial lunch, or warm meal, go to the New Restaurant, 26 East Main street.
[May 23 d2w
Decoration Day.—All the members of each of the several committees appointed to make arrangements for the observance of Decoration Day, are requested to meet at the city council rooms to-morrow (Thursday) at 10 o'clock a. m. W. A. BARNES, Marshal.
Wanted, at the Farmer's Store, 37 North Church street, in exchange for cash and goods, all kinds of produce.
April 30—d&wlm E. B. FINART.
Croquet.—John C. Mark has a full line of croquet sets, of different prices, and also new styles of picture frames and mouldings, all of which he is selling very cheap. Call and examine these goods before purchasing.
May 9-dtt
WITHOUT AN EQUAL!
The hygienic properties of MURRAY & LAMMAN'S FLORIDA WATER are a marked and distinctive feature of this delicious perfume. Its wonderful power in relieving nervous headache, fainting, turns, ordinary hysteria, and its healthful disinfectant properties in the sick room, mark it as peculiarly adapted to the requirements of the boudoir, the dressing-room and the bath.
May 21 d&wlm
Wanted.—Employment a portion or all of his time as book-keeper, salesman, or otherwise. Address L. Republican office.
March 28 dtt
Lost.—A bunch of keys, near the post office. The finder will be liberally rewarded by leaving them at this office.
May 21-dtw

THE HACKETT TRIAL.
Testimony by Defence Continued.
At the opening of court on Tuesday afternoon Mr. Law, who was on the stand at the time of adjournment, resumed his testimony. The court sustained the objection made by the prosecution to the witness, stating that he had heard said about a razor on the night of the killing, as in his opinion the testimony did not come within the res gesta of the case.
Witness knows Hackett's saloon; Nov. 6th was on the south side of the Old Square, from Armstrong's drug store to Hackett's saloon it is about 70 feet.—Witness further described the position. The court refused to let him tell what was said by bystanders immediately after the killing. Counsel then asked what was said while passing about a razor? Which was ruled out and accepted to by defence. This was repeated in different forms, but was ruled out.
Mr. Arnold sworn—Is a hatter; remembers a meeting Nov. 6th; I saw Bannister there, also Clark Potter, about 9 o'clock; I saw them in Brennenman's saloon.
Henry Cannon sworn—I saw Bannister at the saloon by Dodson's, on Merchant street; he wanted me to set up the drinks; he said he had a job set up for Hackett and Chris Brown; this was sometime after night.
Cross-examination—Lives in the country; was not at the time referred to; considerable under the influence of liquor; had taken but two drinks, and then detailed the conversation.
Henry Waggoner, county clerk, sworn. Remembers Bannister's death; was the night before election; I saw a pool of blood about two feet from the outer edge of the sidewalk.
Robert Winston sworn—I live in Decatur 15 years; had known Bannister ten years; was intimate with him; I know Hackett; I heard Bannister at different times say what he would do to Hackett—he said he would kill him; he had had a fuss with him; this was a month or so before his death; I have heard him once besides threaten him; I told these threats to Mr. Hackett; I also told Mrs. Hackett what Bannister threatened against Hackett; I was with Bannister the night he was killed at Brennenman's saloon, after the procession, several times; when we came out we came west to the corner, when we got a small stick of cordwood off the pile and took it along; went to Hubbard & Swearingen's drug store, then went west to Linn & Scruggs, passed Esq. Hughes, then went south to Kepler's, then west to Hackett's saloon; I don't think he had the club when he went in, I didn't see it any more; I had a smaller one; Mr. Hackett would not give us anything to drink; I said come on, let us go; like said he wouldn't do it until he got what he wanted; Hackett said he couldn't have any; he didn't want his custom; I pulled him out; I didn't see anybody struck there; we went toward the St. Nick, and I went back toward where Hackett was on the outside; I was talking to Hackett, and Bannister came back and tapped me on the shoulder and asked what was the matter? I said nothing; Hackett wanted me to go away, that he wanted no fuss there; I told Bannister to come on, but he stood there; I walked away to where a big bottle sets out by the drug store; there was some crowd; I soon went back into the bake shop; as I started out I heard a pistol shot; when we started for Hackett's, Bannister said Mike thought he was the bully of the town, but I'll go around to see if he is; he threatened to break Hackett's head with his club.
Cross-examination—Witness had been a slave; was at Hackett's frequently; we both did chores for Hackett; don't remember any talk at Brennenman's with Clark Potter; through the day we went around the crowd; when we were going round to Hackett's we passed Esquire Hughes and Officer Wilkinson; don't remember what was said as we passed; Brewer was at Hackett's, outside; Brewer called Bannister a black son of a bitch, and Bannister said he didn't want to be called a black son of a bitch; Hackett wanted us to go away, and I went to the bake shop; after like was shot I saw them carry him into the bake shop; witness repeated what Bannister said before going to Hackett's; I said I didn't remember any threats the 6th of Nov.; I didn't think it was proper to tell it then; I don't think I was asked, and I wasn't sure; I have been in jail awhile; was in once before, but was honorably acquitted.
Dr. Corman sworn—Reside in Decatur for 13 years; knew Bannister; saw where he was killed; saw a pool of blood; it was 23 inches from its outer edge; the inner edge was near 3 feet; it was a ten foot walk; the blood was directly in front of the door; he looked at the big club in court; said it was a deadly weapon.
Cross-examination—Said he was a dentist; he thought the club would be sufficient to knock out a nigger's molar; I saw that blood in the early morning; it was dry; I measured it that morning.
Mr. Leake sworn—Resided in the 5th ward; kept a hotel; is policeman; was alderman of the ward; have seen Bannister, and know Hackett; in 1875 he came in every day for a drink; one day I refused him; "O, you intend to come Hackett on me," said he; "that white-livered son of a bitch—I intend to kill him."
Cross-examination—Different ones came there to drink; I refused Bannister because he was drunk, and I considered him a dangerous man.
Elis Moore sworn—Lives in Decatur;

in the grocery business several years; knew Bannister and Hackett for several years; my place was on South Main street, in the huckstering business; Hackett's business was a little north and east of mine; Nov. 6th I was at Hackett's saloon about 9 o'clock; I saw Billy Brewer; saw Dychus and Winston; I was there a few minutes, then stopped in the door; Winston came out in front of me and knocked a boy down, and I stood there; I saw Bannister there near by on the sidewalk; Hackett then came and ordered them to go away and not make a fuss; Bannister said, "God damn you; I don't fear you, Hackett," and again said, "I don't fear you," then said, "God damn you, if you are a prize-fighter, I don't fear you," and stepped toward Hackett with a raised hand; then Hackett said, "put down your razor," and then fired, and Hackett kind of jumped up and fled in a north-west direction; Hackett was on the steps; I did not see his body, all of it, but saw his hand out by me; I saw that was something in his hand, was not certain what it was, it was done so quick; he had something in his hand; I couldn't tell it; it might have been a knife or a razor, but I could not be certain; I should have jumped between them, but I feared getting cut by a knife or razor; Hackett either said, "put up," or "put down your razor;" Bannister put his head down, and was coming toward the door; Hackett was the only man in the open part of the door; he fell rather on his right shoulder, in a north-west direction; I helped to carry him in.
Cross-examination—He was coming southwest when shot, and then rather jumped and fell back and lay north-west; I was standing in the shut part of the door; Hackett's arm came out by me; I was watching the revolver; Hackett might have had one foot down on the door sill; I think Bannister had come about two steps when shot; I saw he had something in his hand; it appeared to glisten; I could not tell what it was; I was not drunk; I had had a chill at 1 o'clock, and took quinine and whisky, but took none after that time; there was a club on the sidewalk that I saw there after the shooting. [A long examination ensued about matters outside, and an attempt to discredit the witness was made.]
Samuel Powers sworn—Question. Are you acquainted with the general reputation or character, in Decatur, of Bannister being a man of dangerous or vicious person? Ans. Yes. Ques. What is that character in that respect, good or bad? Ans. It was bad. Ques. What was his reputation as to carrying deadly weapons? Ans. If it cuts out my private knowledge, I cannot answer.
Cross-examination—I state from what people say and from my own knowledge. Witness was examined at considerable length, when court adjourned until 8 o'clock to-morrow.
WEDNESDAY, MAY 23.
Court convened at 8 o'clock, and testimony for defense was continued, as follows:
D. C. Hickman sworn—Live at St. Louis, formerly lived here. Q.—Do you know what was Bannister's reputation for quiet, peaceable conduct? A. It was bad.
Cross-examination—Q. Who did you ever hear speak of it? A. Jonas Reed, Q. Who else? A. Wall, I cannot recall who all, but a good many.
John Bowers sworn—Live in Panna now; have been in jail in Taylorville; I was in Decatur Nov. 6th, at a political meeting; was around near Hackett's after the procession; I heard a pistol shot there; I was on the square going toward the St. Nicholas Hotel, and came into the crowd, and had been there two or three minutes; saw a man at the door make a motion; he said something to the crowd to go away; a colored man was in front, on the sidewalk; when the pistol was fired the colored man was making for the door with a knife or razor in his hand; he had taken but one or two steps; he had just been saying, "You damned son of a bitch, I'm not afraid of you," or something to that effect; he fell over, rather on his right shoulder; I was coming across the corner of sidewalk.
Cross-examination—Just came to town that day; left that night for Lafayette; I was going to the St. Nicholas Hotel to play a game of billiards; after the shooting I went direct to the depot; was from Springfield to Decatur; went there from Bloomington; I had no business; I came from Chicago; I believe I left home before; am a chairmaker by trade; have worked considerable at railroad; I was put in jail at Taylorville charged with robbery; I didn't like it; come on the stand as a witness under my circumstances, but Mr. Lee said if I knew anything about the case it would be an act of humanity to tell it; I think the man who shot was in his shirt sleeves; he motioned to the crowd to go away, I don't know just what was said; some one said "I'll go when I get a damned good ready;" others made remarks, but don't remember all that was said; I was going toward the door; I stopped back then. This was a minute or two before the shooting; somebody else was between the door jams besides the man who made the motions; several were close around the door; I can't tell how many were there; there was so much said around me, I cannot tell who said it. I didn't see the shot fired, nor the man when he fired—it sounded as from the door; the man killed said

something like "a damned prize-fighter," I can't tell just what; Wilson said to me, "look out," and I turned; was trying to get out of there; saw he had a knife or razor raised in his hand; he was slightly stooped; I was but about two or three feet from him; he made a step or two; cannot say just how many; when shot he kinder jumped a little, and sort a whirled, and fell over on his right side, or right shoulder, I think—I got away; the crowd was excited. I went across the square to a street, and then went to the depot; I had taken two or three drinks that day. There was some one nearer to the killed man than I was.
Re-examined by Mr. Lee—When did you talk with me? A. 'Twas two or three weeks ago.
A. D. Thomas sworn—Have lived 13 years in this county; I run horse-power works; don't know Hackett; did know Bannister. Q. Were you acquainted with his general reputation for violence, ruffianism, and as a dangerous character? A. It was bad—pretty rough.
[A number of other witnesses were examined for the defense (whose testimony will be published to-morrow,) when court adjourned to 1:30 o'clock.]
LIST OF LETTERS
Remainding in the Post Office, at Decatur, Marion Co., Ill., uncalled for, May 23, 1877.
Adams, May
Barto Frank
Bowman Burris
Barnard S
Carr Annie Laura
Lauke
Chandler Alfred
Crawford Frank
Crouthers James
Carnoon James
Cugler Martin
Clark W. H.
Doner Kate
Davis Samuel M
Elliott Anderson
Ellis Isaac
Ellis Josie
Free Annie
Farrell Maria
Flaherty Thomas
Frazure Kate
Glasgow Alice
Hayman Mary
Howell Geo W
Heffner Jacob
Hubbard W W
Hays Amanda
Krauser Jacob
Kirch Sara Ellen
Marion Eva
Moreson Harry
Moore Marion
McGuire Belle
North Joseph
Nichols T M
Orvatt W E
Parkhurst J G
Parks Lydia
Payne Mary J 4
Potts Nathan
Rothford Dora
Richter Lena
Rice Mollie 3
Shutter M A
Smith Lucy M
Thompson Hugh
Venable G M
Walker Ella
Wagner Melissa
Wolf & Bergman
Young James
FOREIGN.
Pederson Hans Christian
R. P. LYTLE, P. M.
Neptune Hose Co's Ball.—This affair, which is to come off to-morrow, (Thursday) evening, at Brennenman's Hall, promises to be one of the most enjoyable dances of the season. The committee of arrangements are doing all in their power in the line of preparation, and on the evening of the ball will spare no pains to render the occasion agreeable to all in attendance. They wish it distinctly understood that under no circumstances will any improper persons be admitted to the ball.
Grand Excursion to Springfield.—B sure U go to Springfield with the grand excursion, which comes off on Thursday, May 31st. This will afford a rare opportunity to visit the new State House, the Lincoln Monument, the Watch Factory and Steel Works, together with whatever there is in the capital city of the State. Cars leave the depot in Decatur at 8 o'clock, a. m., and leave Springfield to return at 8 o'clock, p. m. Fare for the round trip, only \$1.00; for children under 12 years, 50 cents. [May 23 d&1
Best Prints, 16 yards for \$1.00, at S. Einstein's. [May 17 dtt
Annual Meeting.—The regular annual meeting of the Savings Fund, Building and Loan Association, will be held at the county treasurer's office, on Thursday evening, May 24th, for the purpose of electing a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.
JOSIAH MILLS, Pres't.
B. K. DUNFEE, Sec'y.
Strayed or Stolen.—On Sunday evening, May 20, from my stable, on West Eldorado street, a dark brown mare with white hind feet, white spot in the forehead and wart under the right eye, having a heavy and short tail, and rather snail in size. A liberal reward will be paid to any person returning said mare to my store, on the northwest corner of Water and Cerro Gordo streets, or giving information where she may be found.
W. L. FERGUSON.
32wt.
H. H. Duffee is out for member of the board of education—a position in which he served the people faithfully a number of years. He was in the board when the present system of graded schools was put in operation, and proved to be a very efficient member, as he will doubtless be again, if elected.
Wanted.—A good, strong boy (German) to do steady work. Apply at May 22 d4
E. W. Wood's.
Call on Ashby for Window Shades and Fixtures, Cornices and Lamprequis, of the best style and workman ship. apr23-d&wtf
TIME CARD
FOR—
STREET CARS.
Leave Old Square at.....6:30, 7:07, 7:30 A. M.
And every 30 minutes up to 10:30 P. M.
For morning trains going North and West will leave Old Square at 6:30 A. M.
For early morning train West will leave.....6:30 A. M.
Leave Depot.....6:30, 7:07, 7:30 A. M.
And every 30 minutes until 11:00 P. M.
Baggage conveyed to and from the depot, and called made in time for all trains if orders are left at Priest's Hotel in time to take cars.
Baggage to go on night or early morning trains must be delivered at Priest's Hotel by 1 o'clock p. m., or orders left same by that time.
F. PRIEST,
President H. R. and C. Co
May 23, 1877—dtt

M. GOLDBURG
NO 8,
Merchant Street,
(OLD SQUARE)
Decatur, : : Illinois,
Is receiving almost daily, from the Largest Importing House in New York,
Berlin Zephyrs!
CANVAS, PERFORATED CARD-BOARDS, PATTERNS, and everything in the line of
Cochetting and Embroidering,
By which he is enabled to keep the best assorted stock in that line also,
Germantown Wool and Bartat Canvas.
In addition to the above, he keeps the best assortment of
CORSETS
Mrs. Moody's Abdominal Corset,
—AND—
FRENCH & DOMESTIC CORSETS
which are sold very cheap.
FANCY GOODS,
NOTIONS,
Ladies' White Underwear
—AND—
LINEN DRESSES,
All of which is sold cheaper than any lady can buy the material for. A good stock of
HOSIERY & GLOVES
A Splendid Kid, which is sold at 75 cents. Hamburg Hosiery, from 1 cent upward.
A fine stock of
Fans, Parasols,
JEWELRY.
LACE TRIMS, RICHES, FINE HAND-KECHIEFS, COLLARS and CUFFS,
and everything in his line of goods is sold at the Lowest Prices.
Paniers and Bustles.
A Large Stock on hand and made to order
GIVE HIM A CALL, AT
No. 8 Merchant Street.
M. GOLDBURG.
May 22, 1877—d3mos

1877 SPRING 1877
DRY GOODS!
CARPETS!
Oil Cloths, Window Shades, Lace Curtains, Satin, Damask, etc., etc.
LINN & SCRUGGS
Are receiving and have on Sale all the Novelties in British and French
DRESS GOODS,
Embracing every Shade and Grade, and at lower rates than have been offered since the War. Also a New and Elegant Stock of
CARPETS,
As low in price as they can be had anywhere in the United States.
Decatur, March 16, 1877—d&wtf
GOLD! GOLD!
Taken in exchange for
BOOTS AND SHOES
—AT—
L. L. FERRISS'S STORE,
or its equivalent in paper oil silver, at One Dollar per pair on **BOOTS**, and Fifty cts. per pair on **SHOES**—less than any other store in Decatur is selling them. **ONE PRICE.**
Large invoices **BURT'S SHOES** just received.
L. L. FERRISS.
April 10, 1877—d&wtf
J. H. LEWIS & CO.
HAVE REMOVED
Their Stock of
QUEENSWARE, GLASSWARE, TOYS AND NOTIONS,
—TO—
OPERA HOUSE BLOCK,
Opposite the Fountain, next door to the furniture store.
Decatur, March 12, 1877—dtt
WHITE SOAP
For the Laundry or Toilet is **EQUAL** to White Castle Soap, for it is made of **PURE VERMONT SOAP**, and by the same process, which retains all the natural healing qualities of the soap. It costs **NO MORE** than the imported article, but it is rapidly coming into general household use. The use of **CASTLE SOAP** is recommended by Physicians as being so much more healthful. The **PURCHASER** of the White Soap considers the same probability. **SOLELY BY PRATER & GABLE, CHICAGO.** Sold by all wholesale and retail grocers.
THE KANSAS CITY ADJUSTABLE

SPRING BED BOTTOM!
Having purchased the right to manufacture the above-named **SPRING BED** for Northern Illinois, I am prepared to fill all orders promptly. **ORDER WITH CONFIDENCE.** **ASHBY** will receive prompt attention.
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